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Re: Waivers From State Statute for Charter Schools

To: Interested Parties:

The enactment of House Bill 00-1040 has changed the method by which school districts apply for waivers from state statute and regulation for public charter schools. The process has been greatly simplified. It has two steps:

Step One: School districts need to include within the charter contract a list of the state statutes and regulations the school district would like the State Board of Education to waive on behalf of the charter school.

Step Two: The school district must submit to CDE the signed charter contract and charter application within ten days of the initial contract or renewal contract along with a cover letter simply listing the state statutes and regulations the school district would like the State Board of Education to waive on behalf of the charter school. The letter must be signed by an official of the school district. The charter contract must be signed by both an authorized representative of the school district and charter school. A sample waiver application letter is attached for your consideration.

Please mail these documents to Denise Mund at the Colorado Department of Education, 201 E Colfax Avenue, Denver, CO 80203.

If you have any further questions, call Denise Mund here at CDE, 303-866-6740 or email her at Mund_D@cde.state.co.us.

Sincerely,

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Attachment:

Example cover letter for school districts